

**MINUTES  
THIRD TAXING DISTRICT  
MAY 20, 2002**

**ATTENDANCE:** David Brown, Chairman; Stephen Feinstein; Paul Coggin.

**STAFF:** Ron Scofield, Acting District Clerk & General Manager.

**OTHERS:** John Mola, District Treasurer; Larry Dennin, District Counsel; Ana Aguilar; Laurel Lindstrom; Dennis Santella; Barbara Marzoeff; Michelle Beyman; John Carroll; Karen McDonald; Kristy Sweeney; Patsy Rupp; Meryl Marino.

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by the Chairman.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

John Carroll expressed concern about street lighting, noting there have been several lights that have been out for some period of time. He suggested a one-time evening patrol and that a notice be put into the bulletin for people to notify the District if their lights are out.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM COMMISSION MEETING OF MAY 6, 2002**

The following corrections were made: On page 1, under "Others", "Dave Stern" was corrected to "Gabe Stern". On page 2, the vote was corrected to read "Motion failed with one vote in favor (Mr. Feinstein) and two votes in opposition."

**\*\* MR. FEINSTEIN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 6, 2002, AS CORRECTED.**

**\*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**REPORT FROM MICHELLE BEYMAN, EAST NORWALK BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION**

Ms. Beyman gave a verbal report to the Commissioners on the work done by the East Norwalk Beautification Commission.

The Chairman presented Ms. Beyman with a plaque commemorating her service on the East Norwalk Beautification Commission.

Mr. Santella said it was unfortunate that this forum could not have taken place a few months ago. A better approach to the project would have been if the existing Beautification Committee would have been asked to take on the additional charge of the signage and the islands. Setting up another committee is not very productive.

**REQUEST FOR RENTAL PROPERTY AT CONSTITUTION PARK FOR DECK –  
WAYNE WEHMHOFF**

The Chairman said that Mr. Wehmhoff had called today and withdrew this request. This property is owned by the City and he will apply there for a permit.

**APPROVAL OF DISTRICT NAMES FOR 51 VAN ZANT STREET STEERING  
COMMITTEE**

**\*\* MR. COGGIN MOVED TO APPOINT LAUREL LINDSTROM, DR. JOHN PINTO, JOHN SOLDER AND TIM PLUNKETT TO THE 51 VAN ZANT STREET STEERING COMMITTEE.**

**\*\* MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

It was decided to vote by ballot.

**\*\* DR. JOHN PINTO, STEPHEN ORRIS, JOHN SOLDER AND TIM PLUNKETT WERE APPOINTED TO THE 51 VAN ZANT STREET STEERING COMMITTEE BY BALLOT VOTE.**

**APPROVAL OF POLICY REGARDING USE OF DISTRICT OWNED PROPERTIES  
AND MINI-PARKS**

**\*\* MR. COGGIN MOVED APPROVAL OF THE POLICY REGARDING USE OF DISTRICT OWNED PROPERTIES AND MINI-PARKS AS PRESENTED.**

**\*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED.**

Mr. Feinstein said he was against imposing excessive restrictions on anyone who wants to use the parks. He only favors restrictions on commercial usage.

The Chairman said that the City has the same type of permit requirements.

**\*\* MOTION PASSED WITH ONE VOTE IN OPPOSITION (MR. FEINSTEIN).**

### **PROPOSED COLLATERALIZATION AGREEMENT FROM PATRIOT BANK**

Mr. Scofield said that Attorney Dennin wants to see a more recent date than October 24<sup>th</sup>; he will call the bank tomorrow. He will provide all documentation to Attorney Dennin as soon as possible.

Mr. Coggin said he would like to see the documentation before voting on it.

**\*\* MR. FEINSTEIN MOVED TO TABLE ACTION ON THE PROPOSED COLLATERALIZATION AGREEMENT FROM PATRIOT BANK.**

**\*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **UPDATE REGARDING ADVERTISING FOR GENERAL MANAGER**

The Chairman said that the ad is in two nationwide magazines and on the District's web site. The ad is not in the APPA or NEPPA publications because there is an issue related to classified advertising. The Chairman said that the cost of advertising in the two nationwide magazines is \$2,100 and another magazine costs \$1,600. These costs also include web-site advertising.

Discussion took place about the fact that the problem with advertising in NEPPA and APPA could be the length of the ad. Attorney Dennin said he had a shorter ad, which he will provide to the Chairman.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**\*\* MR. COGGIN MOVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS BILLING ADJUSTMENT FOR R.T. VANDERBILT COMPANY AND COMPENSATION FOR OFFICE MANAGER RON SCOFIELD.**

**\*\* MR. FEINSTEIN SECONDED.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. and reconvened into Public Session at 9:30 p.m.

**\*\* MR. FEINSTEIN MOVED TO PAY MR. SCOFIELD THE GENERAL MANAGER'S SALARY OF \$56 PER HOUR PLUS OVERTIME OF \$84 PER HOUR FOR THE INTERIM PERIOD OF TIME IT TAKES TO HIRE A NEW GENERAL MANAGER.**

**\*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED WITH ONE VOTE IN OPPOSITION (MR. COGGIN).**

**\*\* MR. COGGIN MOVED TO TABLE A DECISION ON A BILLING ADJUSTMENT FOR THE R.T. VANDERBILT COMPANY AND TO RECONVENE THIS MEETING ON MAY 21, 2002 AT 6:30 P.M.**

**\*\* MR. FEINSTEIN SECONDED.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting recessed at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Telesco  
Telesco Secretarial Services

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**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**\*\* MR. COGGIN MOVED TO PAY RON SCOFIELD THE GENERAL MANAGER'S SALARY AS A \$56 PER HOUR HOURLY WAGE PLUS OVERTIME AT \$84 PER HOUR FOR THE INTERIM PERIOD OF TIME IT TAKES TO FIND A NEW GENERAL MANAGER.**

**\*\* MR. FEINSTEIN SECONDED.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**